Types of Curb Extensions

Pinchpoints



Curb extensions at midblock or intersection corners that narrow a street by extending the sidewalk or widening the planting strip. These can include mid-block crossing locations. (Photo credit: Kevin

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Gateways



A curb extension located at the entrance to a neighborhood street narrows the crossing length for pedestrians and reinforces a low-speed operating environment. (Photo credit: Dongho Chang,

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Chicanes



A series of narrowings or curb extensions that alternate from one side of the street to the other forming S-shaped curves can be implemented to reduce motor vehicle speeds and unlock roadway space

for pervious surface or bioretention (Photo credit: thisisbossi)